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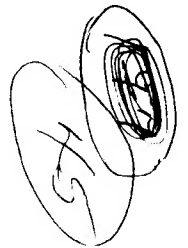
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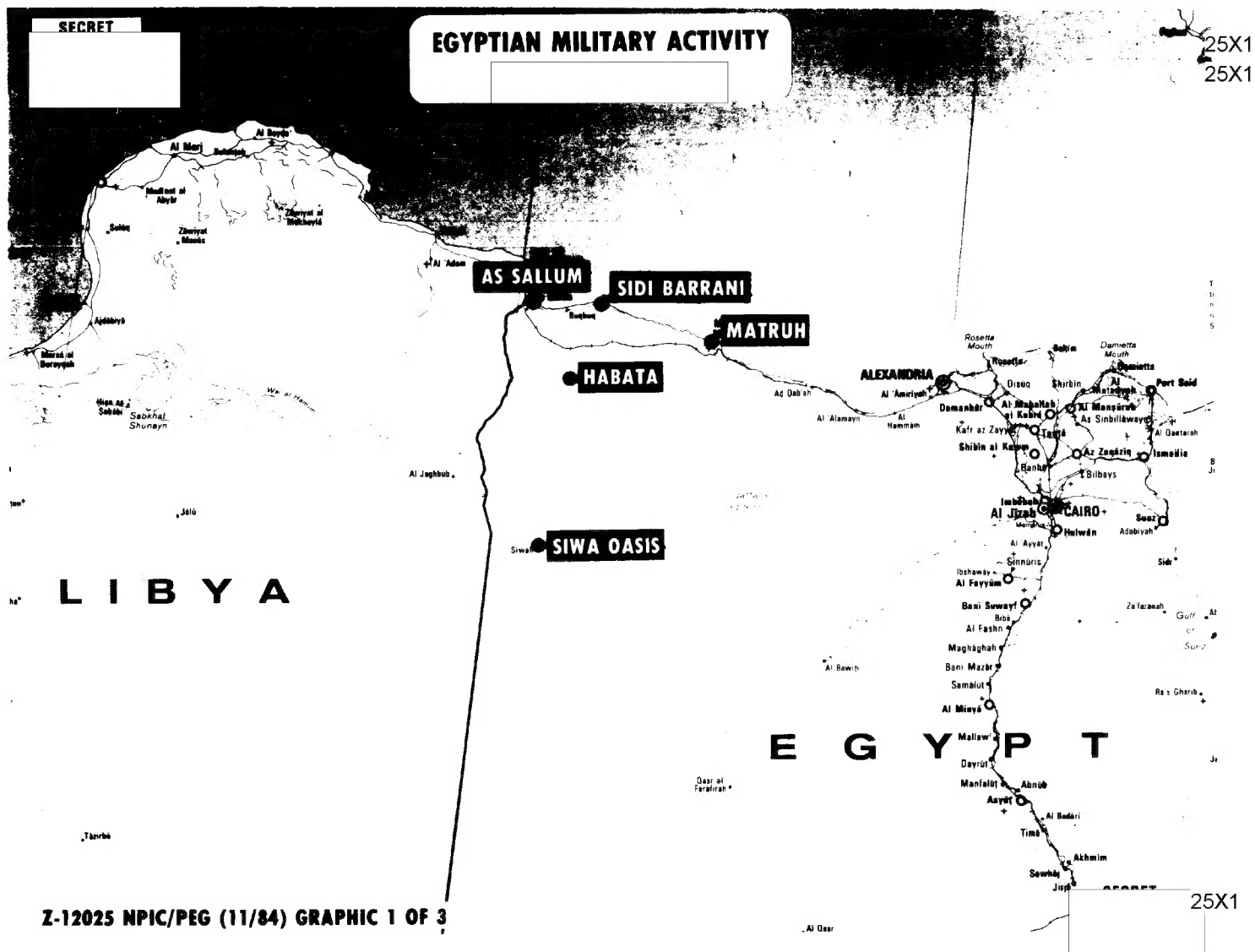
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EGYPTIAN MILITARY ACTIVITY

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: MILITARY ACTIVITY, POSSIBLY RELATED TO TENSIONS BETWEEN EGYPT AND LIBYA, IS OBSERVED IN THE WESTERN MILITARY DISTRICT OF EGYPT (GRAPHIC 1). (SWN)

2. REMARKS: MAJOR ELEMENTS OF AN EGYPTIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE HAVE BEEN DEFENSIVELY DISPERSED AT MATRUH MILITARY CAMP WEST () SINCE YESTERDAY (GRAPHIC 2). APPROXIMATELY 185 TRUCKS AND SMALL UTILITY VEHICLES ARE IN THE VICINITY OF THE USUAL PARKING AREA. THIS ACTIVITY IS UNUSUAL AND MAY PRESAGE THE DEPLOYMENT OF THIS UNIT. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AT MATRUH SUPPLY DEPOT WEST (). (SWN)

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MATRUH MILITARY CAMP WEST IS APPROXIMATELY 105 NM EAST OF THE EGYPT-LIBYA BORDER AND HOUSES AN UNIDENTIFIED INFANTRY BRIGADE. (SWN)

EIGHT CONVOYS OF SUPPORT EQUIPMENT PROBABLY ARE PREPARING TO DEPART SEPARATE VEHICLE PARKS AT HABATA BRIGADE DEPLOYMENT AREAS NORTH () (GRAPHIC 3). OTHER ELEMENTS OF THE ARMORED BRIGADE REMAIN IN NORMAL PARKING SPACES. THIS INSTALLATION HOUSES MAJOR ELEMENTS OF THE 22ND INDEPENDENT ARMORED BRIGADE AND IS 3 NM NORTH OF HABATA AIRFIELD () APPROXIMATELY 30 NM EAST OF THE EGYPT-LIBYA BORDER. (SWN)

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SUPPORT ELEMENTS OF THE 122MM HOWITZER M-30 BATTALION AND ELEMENTS OF THE RECONNAISSANCE COMPANY AT SIWA OASIS AIRFIELD CONC AREA () HAVE BEEN RANDOMLY DISPERSED SINCE () ALTHOUGH THE 100MM ANTITANK BATTALION REMAINS OPERATIONALLY DEPLOYED, AT LEAST NINE TRUCKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE UNIT HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO REVETTED POSITIONS. TWO 122MM HOWITZER M-30 BATTERIES ARE IN TRAVEL MODE. TRUCKS ARE IN FRONT OF ONE OF THE BATTERIES. BOTH M-30 BATTERIES WERE OPERATIONALLY DEPLOYED AND CANVAS COVERED ON () (GRAPHIC 3). IN ADDITION, A CONVOY COMPRISED OF 14 CARGO TRUCKS IS FORMING IN THE 122MM HOWITZER M-30 AREA. NO AIRCRAFT ARE PRESENT AT SIWA OASIS AIRFIELD NORTH (). (SWN)

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ELEMENTS OF ONE MOTORIZED INFANTRY BATTALION REMAIN PARKED IN THE NORMAL OPEN STORAGE AREA OF SIWA OASIS TROOP CONCENTRATION [REDACTED] WHICH IS ONLY PARTIALLY IMAGED. HOWEVER, ELEMENTS OF THE JEEP-MOUNTED ANTITANK GUIDED MISSILE COMPANY (AT LEAST 48) HAVE BEEN RANDOMLY DISPERSED NEAR THEIR NORMAL PARKING AREA. THIS ACTIVITY WAS NOT PRESENT ON [REDACTED] SIWA OASIS IS APPROXIMATELY 26 NM EAST OF THE EGYPT-LIBYA BORDER. (SWN)

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THE READINESS POSTURE OF EGYPTIAN UNITS IN THE AS SALLUM 22ND ARMORED BRIGADE DEPLOYMENT AREA [REDACTED] CANNOT BE DETERMINED DUE TO HEAVY CLOUD COVER; HOWEVER, UNUSUAL DISPERSAL ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED IN THE AREA ASSOCIATED WITH THE 130MM FIELD GUN M-46 BRIGADE. ON PARTIAL COVERAGE, AT LEAST 25 TRUCKS/UTILITY VEHICLES ARE DISPERSED IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE NORMAL PARKING AREA. THE REMAINDER OF THE 130MM M-46 BRIGADE AND THE TANK BATTALION AREAS ARE CLOUD COVERED. AS SALLUM IS APPROXIMATELY 14 NM EAST OF THE EGYPT-LIBYA BORDER. (SWN)

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HEAVY CLOUD COVER PRECLUDES DETERMINATION OF THE STATUS OF FORCES AT SIDI BARRANI ARMD VEH CONC NO 2 [REDACTED] ON PARTIAL COVERAGE, EQUIPMENT PRESENT INCLUDES FIVE MEDIUM TANKS (DEPLOYED IN DEFENSIVE REVETMENTS), FIVE POSSIBLE ARMORED VEHICLES WITH ARTILLERY MOUNTED ON REAR, ONE POSSIBLE MORTAR BATTERY, AND ELEMENTS OF ONE FIELD ARTILLERY BATTERY. TWO CAMOUFLAGE-PAINTED C-130 ARE AT SIDI BARRANI AIRFIELD [REDACTED]; THESE AIRCRAFT ARE NORMALLY NOT SEEN HERE. SIDI BARRANI IS APPROXIMATELY 43 NM EAST OF THE EGYPT-LIBYA BORDER. (SWN)

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